#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Group Art Unit Unknown

In re

Patent Application of

Matthew H. Lawler et al.

Application No. 10/574,385

Confirmation No. 2313

Filed: March 31, 2006

"MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR

MEDICAL SCALE"

I, Dorothy A. Houser, hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date of my signature.

#### REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents Office of PCT Legal Administration P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration responds to the Decision, dated October 4, 2007, dismissing Applicants' Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) (the "Decision") and is filed within the two-month period for response. No additional fee is required. However, charge or credit Deposit Account No. 13-3080 with any shortage or overpayment of any required fees.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Decision and submit herewith the following:

- 1. The Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson; and
- The Declaration of Edward R. Lawson Jr. 2.

#### **REMARKS**

In the Decision, the Office contends that Applicants did not meet the standard for a "diligent effort" to find or reach a non-signing inventor, as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), and has dismissed the Petition.

As an initial matter, Applicants respectfully disagree and submit that, based on the facts presented with the Petition, a "diligent effort" was made to find or reach the non-signing inventor, Theron Kotze. However, in order to address the Office's concerns, Applicants have submitted herewith the Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson and the Declaration of Edward R. Lawson Jr., setting forth additional facts to further support that a "diligent effort" was in fact made to contact Mr. Kotze.

Specifically, as set forth in the Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, internet searches, including searches of internet telephone directories, were conducted to uncover additional contact information for Mr. Kotze. See paragraph 9. However, these internet searches did not uncover any contact information which enabled Mr. Kotze to be contacted. See paragraphs 9-10.

In addition, as set forth in the Declaration of Edward R. Lawson Jr., available contact information was provided by Pelstar, Mr. Kotze's former employer. See paragraph 7. The contact information included e-mail addresses which were used in further attempts to contact Mr. Kotze. See paragraph 10; and Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, paragraphs 7-8. See also Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, executed July 24, 2007, paragraph 7.

To summarize, Applicants attempted to contact Mr. Kotze by mail at his last known address. Pelstar, Mr. Kotze's former employer, provided available contact information, and this information was used in further attempts to contact Mr. Kotze by e-mail. Finally, internet and telephone directory searches were conducted to find contact information for Mr. Kotze, but the searches did not yield any additional contact information for Mr. Kotze. Even with these efforts, Applicants were not able to contact or locate Mr. Kotze.

#### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that a "diligent effort" was made to find or reach the non-signing inventor, Mr. Kotze. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Decision dismissing the Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) and that the Petition be granted.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at the below-identified phone number during normal business hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward R. Lawson Jr.

Reg. No. 41,931

File No. 074408-9005-01 Michael Best & Friedrich LLP 100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 3300 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202-4108 414.271.6560

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#### **DECLARATION OF EDWARD R. LAWSON JR.**

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Sir:

- I, Edward R. Lawson Jr., hereby declare that:
- I am a partner of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, with its principal place of business located at 100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53202-4108, United States of America.
- Pelstar, LLC is a client of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP and is an Illinois Limited
   Liability Corporation with its principal place of business located at 7400 West 100th Place,
   Bridgeview, IL 60455 (hereinafter "Pelstar").
- 3. Pelstar is the owner of rights in the above-identified patent application by virtue of the Assignment executed by joint inventor Matthew H. Lawler on June 4, 2007 and by joint inventor Paul D. Nizzere on July 11, 2007, a copy of each of which is attached to the Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson as Exhibit A.

- 4. The invention claimed in the above-identified application relates to the business of Pelstar.
- 5. On March 14, 2006, I sent to Mr. Dan Maeir, President & CEO of Pelstar, an e-mail including a Declaration and Power of Attorney form and an Assignment form (the "formal papers") to be executed by the inventors, including Mr. Theron Kotze. The formal papers included Mr. Kotze's address of 1510 West Byron, Apt. #1, Chicago, IL 60613. This address is Mr. Kotze's last known address. A copy of the e-mail and the formal papers are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 6. On March 31, 2006, I received an e-mail from Mr. Maeir indicating that Mr. Kotze was no longer with Pelstar. A copy of the e-mail is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 7. On March 31, 2006, I received another e-mail from Mr. Maeir including contact information for Mr. Kotze that Pelstar had on file. This information included the e-mail addresses tkotze@gmx.com and sandloper@gmx.com. A copy of this e-mail is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 8. The present application was filed, without executed formal papers, on Friday, March 31, 2006, before the filing deadline of Monday, April 3, 2006.
- 9. On February 26, 2007, a Notification of Missing Requirements for the present application was mailed to Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, with the deadline for response being April 26, 2007.
- 10. As indicated in the Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, executed on November 28, 2007 (the "Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson"), Ms. Johnson attempted several times to contact Mr. Kotze by mail, at his last known mailing address, and by e-mail at the e-mail addresses provided to us by Pelstar, Mr. Kotze's former employer. See Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, paragraphs 5-8 and 10.
- 11. Ms. Johnson also conducted internet searches to uncover any additional contact information for Mr. Kotze, and these searches did not uncover any additional contact information

which would enable us to contact Mr. Kotze. See Second Declaration of Sharon A. Johnson, paragraph 9.

- 12. As of July 24, 2007, the filing date of the Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements and the Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47 (before the deadline of July 26, 2007 (with a 3-month extension of time)), Mr. Kotze could not be reached, after diligent efforts, to execute the forms for this application.
- 13. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issuing therefrom.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2007

Edward R. Lawson Jr.

#### **EXHIBIT A**

From: Lawson, Edward R.

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 12:42 PM **To:** Dan Maeir (dmaeir@pelstarllc.com)

Cc: Margolies, Jonathan H.; Johnson, Sharon A.

**Subject:** ACTION: DAN MAIER -- National Filing Instructions for International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE" (Peistar Project No.

31000; Our File No. 074408-9005 WO)

Mr. Dan Maeir Pelstar, LLC 7400 West 100th Place Bridgeview, IL 60455

Re: International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE"

Application No. PCT/US2004/032609

Applicant: PELSTAR, LLC

Inventors: Matthew H. Lawler, Paul D. Nizzere and Theron Kotze

Pelstar Project No. 31000 Our File No. 074408-9005 WO

#### Dear Dan:

As you instructed, we are preparing to file the U.S. National Phase patent application.

For the U.S. application, we will need to file a Declaration form and an Assignment form executed by each inventor. If these documents are filed with the U.S. application, we can avoid the payment of late fees (again, the deadline for filing the U.S. application is **April 3, 2006**). If we do not have the executed documents in time to file them with the application, we can file revised documents which will be due 1-2 months after the application filing date.

We have attached a copy of the forms for execution by the inventors who still work with Pelstar. Could you have Paul and Theron execute the attached forms and return the complete, executed forms to us for filing with the U.S. application.

As we have done with the related design patent applications, we will send the forms to Matt Lawler for execution by him. Could you confirm his address and, if you have one, provide to us an e-mail address for him. The address we have for Matt is the following:

Matt Lawler 13738 West Ironwood Circle Homerglen, IL 60441

If you have any questions or comments, please call.

Thanks.

Εd

#### Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE (Attorney Docket No. 074408-9005-00), the specification of which was filed with our authority, on October 1, 2004, as International Application No. PCT/US2004/032609.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners associated with the customer number identified below to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; and request that the Office direct all communication in or pertaining to this application to:

Customer Number 23409

I hereby claim priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of the provisional U.S. patent application listed below:

Application Serial No. Filing Date 60/508,565 3 October 2003

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of inventor:	Matthew H. Lawler	
Inventor's signature:		Date:
Residence:	Homergeln, Illinois	
Citizenship:	United States of America	
Post Office Address:	13738 West Ironwood Circle	
	Homergeln, IL 60441	
Full name of inventor:	Paul D. Nizzere	
Inventor's signature:		Date:
Residence:	Darien, Illinois	
Citizenship:	United States of America	
Post Office Address:	7713 Stevens Street	
	Darien, IL 60561	
Full name of inventor:	Theron Kotze	
Inventor's signature:		Date:
Residence:	Chicago, Illinois	
Citizenship:	United States of America	
Post Office Address:	1510 West Byron, Apt. #1	
	Chicago, IL 60613	

#### ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to our obligation to PELSTAR, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), an Illinois Limited Liability Corporation having its principal place of business at:

7400 West 100th Place Bridgeview, IL 60455

and for other valuable and sufficient consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we:

Matthew H. Lawler 13738 West Ironwood Circle Homergeln, IL 60441

Paul D. Nizzere 7713 Stevens Street Darien, IL 60561

Theron Kotze 1510 West Byron, Apt. #1 Chicago, IL 60613

confirm our obligation to and hereby sell, assign and convey, unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, our entire right, title and interest -

- (1) in and to an invention entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE" the specification of which was filed with our authority on 1 October 2004 as International Patent Application No. PCT/US2004/032609 (Atty. File No. 074408-9005 WO) ("PCT Application");
- (2) in and to any United States national phase patent application based on said PCT Application, in and to all other patent applications (including divisional, continuation-in-part, §111(b) provisional, §111(a), and reissue applications) based upon said invention, and in and to the patent or patents to be granted thereon, including reissues thereof, if any, to the full end of the term or terms for which said patent or patents may be granted;

And we hereby agree that we will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors or assigns, and without further consideration to us, execute any and all papers that may be necessary, or deemed by Assignee, its successors or assigns, to be necessary, to a complete fulfillment of the intent and purposes of this Assignment, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be paid by Assignee, its successors and assigns, and not by us.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue the said United States patent or patents to Assignee.

Date:	Matthew H. Lawler	
Date:	Paul D. Nizzere	
Date:	Theron Kotze	

#### **EXHIBIT B**

From: Maeir, Dan [mailto:dmaeir@pelstarllc.com]

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2006 12:18 PM

To: Lawson, Edward R.

**Subject:** RE: ACTION: DAN MAIER -- National Filing Instructions for International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE" (Pelstar

Project No. 31000; Our File No. 074408-9005 WO)

Ed.

Attached is Paul's signature. It will probably take me a little time to find Theron and Matt, as now both are no longer with us.

Dan

Dan J Maeir President & CEO Pelstar LLC 7400 W 100th Place Bridgeview, IL. 60455 Phone: 708-233-5468

Fax: 708-233-5443

E-mail: dmaeir@pelstarllc.com

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From: Lawson, Edward R. [mailto:ERLawson@michaelbest.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 28, 2006 12:08 PM

To: Maeir, Dan

Cc: Johnson, Sharon A.

**Subject:** FW: ACTION: DAN MAIER -- National Filing Instructions for International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE" (Pelstar

Project No. 31000; Our File No. 074408-9005 WO)

Dan,

Have you been able to have the attached documents executed by Paul and Theron for the U.S. application?

Also, have you been able to confirm Matt Lawler's address so that we can send the documents to him for execution?

As a reminder, if these executed documents are filed with the U.S. application, we can avoid the payment of late fees (again, the deadline for filing the U.S. application is **April 3, 2006**). However, if necessary, we can file revised documents which will be due 1-2 months after the application filing date.

Let us know.

Thanks,

Ed

From: Lawson, Edward R.

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2006 11:42 AM To: Dan Maeir (dmaeir@pelstarlic.com)

Cc: Margolies, Jonathan H.; Johnson, Sharon A.

**Subject:** ACTION: DAN MAIER -- National Filing Instructions for International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE" (Pelstar Project No.

31000; Our File No. 074408-9005 WO)

Mr. Dan Maeir Pelstar, LLC 7400 West 100th Place Bridgeview, IL 60455

Re: International (PCT) Application Entitled "MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE"

Application No. PCT/US2004/032609

Applicant: PELSTAR, LLC

Inventors: Matthew H. Lawler, Paul D. Nizzere and Theron Kotze

Pelstar Project No. 31000 Our File No. 074408-9005 WO

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If you have any questions or comments, please call.

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#### **EXHIBIT C**

From: Maeir, Dan [mailto:dmaeir@pelstarllc.com]

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2006 5:08 PM

To: Lawson, Edward R. Subject: FW: Theron Info

Ed,

Theorn's info is listed below You can contact Matt at the address you have

Dan

Dan J Maeir President & CEO Pelstar LLC 7400 W 100th Place Bridgeview, IL. 60455 Phone: 708-233-5468 Fax: 708-233-5443

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From: Locklund, Thomas

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2006 3:38 PM

To: Maeir, Dan

Subject: Theron Info

Dan,

This is the info for Theron that I have stored.

773-251-8015 sandloper@gmx.com tkotze@gmx.com

Tom

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#### SECOND DECLARATION OF SHARON A. JOHNSON

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Sir:

- I, Sharon A. Johnson, hereby declare that:
- Between February, 2002 and October 19, 2007, I was an Intellectual Property
   Administrator employed by Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, with its principal place of business
   located at 100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53202-4108, United States of America.
- Pelstar, LLC, is a client of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP and is an Illinois Limited Liability Corporation with its principal place of business located at 7400 West 100th Place,
   Bridgeview, IL 60455 (hereinafter "Pelstar").
- 3. Pelstar is the owner of rights in the above-identified patent application by virtue of the Assignment executed by joint inventor Matthew H. Lawler on June 4, 2007 and by joint inventor Paul D. Nizzere on July 11, 2007, a copy of each of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

- 4. The invention claimed in the above-identified application relates to the business of Pelstar.
- 5. On May 30, 2007, I sent a Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application form and an Assignment form, for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, under a cover letter addressed to Mr. Theron Kotze at his last known address, 1510 West Byron, Apt. #1, Chicago, IL 60613. Copies of the documents are attached hereto as Exhibit B. I requested that he return the executed forms to me no later than June 15, 2007. The letter and forms were sent to Mr. Kotze via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. A copy of the receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 6. On June 5, 2007, I received, at my desk at Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, the unopened package back from Mr. Kotze stamped "Attempted, Not Known" by the Post Office. A copy of the envelope is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 7. On May 29, 2007, I sent an e-mail to Mr. Kotze with the Declaration and Assignment forms to his new e-mail at <a href="mailto:tkotze@gmx.com">tkotze@gmx.com</a>; this e-mail was returned to me as undelivered. On June 11, 2007, I sent an e-mail to <a href="mailto:sandloper@gmx.com">sandloper@gmx.com</a> (cc to <a href="mailto:tkotze@gmx.com">tkotze@gmx.com</a>) on June 11, 2007, and this e-mail was also returned to me as undelivered. Copies of these e-mails and of the associated "undelivered" responses are attached hereto in Exhibit E.
- 8. The e-mail addresses tkotze@gmx.com and sandloper@gmx.com were provided to Mr. Edward R. Lawson Jr., an attorney at Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP, by Mr. Dan J. Maeir, President & CEO of Pelstar LLC, as the contact information that the company had for Mr. Kotze. A copy of this e-mail with these addresses is attached hereto in Exhibit F.
- 9. In order to find any additional contact information for Mr. Kotze, I conducted internet searches at "telephone switchboard", "switchboard yellow pages", "gmx" and "gmx international" searching for Mr. Kotze's address and telephone number in the states of Illinois (where Mr. Kotze's last known address is located) and California and nationwide. My searches uncovered the company "GMX International" based in California and having the domain name

www.gmxinternational.com and e-mail addresses "@gmxinternational.com". I did not find a specific new address or phone number for Mr. Kotze. The only information available to me was the last known mailing address and e-mail addresses that I used.

- 10. On June 11, 2007, I made a third attempt to contact Mr. Kotze by e-mail at <a href="tkotze@gmxinternational.com">tkotze@gmxinternational.com</a>, and this e-mail was returned to me as undelivered. As explained above, this e-mail address was uncovered by me during internet searches for any contact information for Mr. Kotze. A copy of this e-mail and of the "undelivered" response are attached in Exhibit G.
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Dated this 28th day of November, 2007

Sharon A Johnson

#### ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to our obligation to PELSTAR, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), an Illinois Limited Liability Corporation having its principal place of business at:

7400 West 100th Place Bridgeview, IL 60455

and for other valuable and sufficient consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we:

Matthew H. Lawler 13738 West Ironwood Circle Homergeln, IL 60441

Paul D. Nizzere 7713 Stevens Street Darien, IL 60561

Theron Kotze 1510 West Byron, Apt. #1 Chicago, IL 60613

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And we hereby agree that we will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors or assigns, and without further consideration to us, execute any and all papers that may be necessary, or deemed by Assignee, its successors or assigns, to be necessary, to a complete fulfillment of the intent and purposes of this Assignment, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be paid by Assignee, its successors and assigns, and not by us.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue the said United States patent or patents to Assignee.

6-4-07	Mott al	
Date:	Matthew H. Lawler	
Date:	Paul D. Nizzere	
Date:	Theron Kotze	

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- (2) in and to any United States national phase patent application based on said PCT Application, in and to all other patent applications (including divisional, continuation-in-part, \$111(b) provisional, \$111(a), and reissue applications) based upon said invention, and in and to the patent or patents to be granted thereon, including reissues thereof, if any, to the full end of the term or terms for which said patent or patents may be granted;

And we hereby agree that we will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors or assigns, and without further consideration to us, execute any and all papers that may be necessary, or deemed by Assignee, its successors or assigns, to be necessary, to a complete fulfillment of the intent and purposes of this Assignment, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be paid by Assignee, its successors and assigns, and not by us.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue the said United States patent or patents to Assignee.

Date:	Matthew H. Lawler
Date: July 11, 2007	Paul D. Nizzere
Date:	Theron Kotze



#### **EXHIBIT B**

Michael Best & Friedrich LLP Attorneys at Law 100 East Wisconsin Avenue Suite 3300 Milwaukee, WI 53202-4108

Phone 414.271.6560 Fax 414.277.0656

Sharon A. Johnson Direct 414.270.2731

Email sajohnson@michaelbest.com

May 30, 2007

# CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Theron Kotze 1510 West Byron, Apt. #1 Chicago, IL 60613

Re: U.S. Patent Application Entitled

MEASURING DEVICE, SUCH AS A SCALE OR MEDICAL SCALE

Applicant: PELSTAR, LLC

Inventors: Matthew H. Lawler, Paul D. Nizzere and Theron Kotze

Pelstar Project No. 3100 Our File No. 074408-9005-01

Dear Mr. Kotze:

I am working with Attorney Ed Lawson on this patent application.

The U.S. Patent Office requires an executed Declaration document (form enclosed), signed by each inventor for the above-identified patent application. Also enclosed is an Assignment document for you to sign and date.

Once you have signed and dated the forms, please return them to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. I will then file them with the U.S. Patent Office.

#### Please return the forms by June 15, 2007.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL BEST & FRIEDRICH LLP

Shawn a Johnson

Sharon A. Johnson

Intellectual Property Administrator For Attorney Edward R. Lawson Jr.

**Enclosures** 

### Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims referred to above.

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